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SUBJ: US-IRAN COOPERATION IN NUCLEAR ENERGY

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1. DR ETEMAD HAS BEEN CONFERRING WITH ASHTON O'DONNELL OF UEA CONCERNING LETTER OF INTENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN AMERICAN PRIVATE-SECTOR URANIUM ENRICHMENT PLANT, BUT EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION YET ON OUTCOME.

2. DR ETEMAD HAS NOT HAD TIME TO FOCUS ON NUCLEAR ENERGY AGREEMENT BUT PROMISES TO DO SO SOON. HE DEPARTS TEHRAN MORNING FEB 24 FOR VIENNA, LONDON, AND WASHINGTON. HE WILL CABLE DR DIXY LEE RAY FROM EUROPE CONCERNING AGREEMENT AND IF WILLING TO GO AHEAD WILL ALSO CABLE GOI FOREIGN OFFICE TO AUTHORIZE IRANIAN AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON TO INITIAL AGREEMENT. HE IS AWARE OF URGENCY OF MATTER IN ORDER TO HAVE SIGNATURE AT TIME OF MEETING OF JOINT COMMISSION.

3. HE CONFIRMS THAT IRAN WILL WANT AGREEMENT TO COVER 8,000MWE.

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PERIOD HE IS CONSIDERING IS 15 YEARS BUT THIS NOT YET FIRM IN HIS

MIND. EMBASSY UNABLE TO SAY WHETHER HE IS WILLING TO ACCEPT AGREE-
MENT IN PRESENT FORM, BUT ON EVERY OCCASION WHERE IT HAS BEEN DIS-
CUSSED IN PRESENCE OF SCIATT HE HAS FOUND NO FAULT WITH IT. HIS
CONCERN HAS NOT BEEN WITH DETAILS BUT WITH ASSURANCE THAT IRAN IS
NOT BEING INCLUDED IN SAME CATEGORY WITH ISRAEL AND EGYPT. EMBASSY
HAS DONE ITS BEST TO PROVIDE THIS ASSURANCE, AND WE BELIEVE DOUB'S
FIRM HAS CONFIRMED THIS TO HIM PRIVATELY.
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